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The early man got the sleighing to-day.

Windsor is thrust to the front more prominently than ever this week.

Speaker Cannon opened fire today, but it wasn't a hostile demonstration.

Ten per cent of the population of Franklin county, of ten years and over, can't write, which is far from right.

Wood alcohol is making a deep incision into Vermont's population these days, and a contemporary explains by saying that the fools are not all dead yet.

Senator Depew rails at the newspapers because they hear rumors that he is going to resign and just want to verify it. A good many New York people will be with the newspapers in that.

"I suppose that I shall have to hang for this," were the words of the East Bridgewater man who is accused of killing a neighbor. Not at all sure in Vermont these days, and the original presumption is against it.

Hearst has gained seventeen votes on McClellan in New York in four ballot boxes thus far examined. In the light of that result Hearst seems to be destined to failure, in spite of the fact that there are hundreds of ballot boxes still to be opened.

At a banquet in New York last week, an Irishman, Patrick Francis Murphy, paid a tribute to Scotland, which was noteworthy. He declared: "Scotland today is a paradise with fifteen different religious sects, 5,000 churches, 250 golf links and the largest and most fertile industry is making Prime Ministers for the United Kingdom. Today a Scot is Prime Minister; so is the leader of the opposition, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, and, if he falls, there is Lord Rosebery, Mr. Asquith and John Morley. The wheel of politics revolves, but the British Empire always finds a Scot at the top."

FURNISHES A WARNING.
With the acquittal of Dr. McLeod, the notorious Boston suit case affair will for a time at least sink out of sight; two men go to prison for participation in the affair, and the remains of the chorus girl will be turned over to the doubly saddened relatives. There is yet one person whom the police have professed to be anxious to get, the woman in whose office the illegal operation is said to have been performed. If there is a warrant for her arrest will come sooner or later. But that is of small consequence with the more far-reaching effect given by the publicity of the unfortunate affair. A wave of protest has been stirred up against these so-called dens in Boston, which promises to wipe them out of existence. The public has been horrified at the revelations of things carried on in its very midst. The press has been urgent for the cleaning out of the illegal places, and now the Boston clergy has taken up the fight, protesting by means of a circular letter against the practices. The wave of condemnation has become general. In fact, it became so strong that counsel for Dr. McLeod professed to fear that it might have reached that stage when it would include the innocent with the guilty, meaning that he feared an unfavorable verdict for his client. But the admirable defense presented by the counsel at the trial precluded all



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ON A SIBERIAN TRAIN.

How to Find a Berth in a Crowded Sleeper.

My problem was to get out of Siberia. I had no difficulty in getting in. My friends had warned me that traffic on the Siberian Railway was congested, and that it would be necessary for me to book my place in the Great Siberian Express a fortnight beforehand at Moscow. I did not find it so, however. I did not book a place at Moscow. I went to see the fair at Nijni-Novgorod, and then sailed down the Volga to Samara, taking my chance of a place being vacant there. I was fortunate, and in a little over two days' supremely comfortable travelling I reached Kurgan.

But the return journey was another matter. The express only runs on several days of the week, so, as I wished to break my journey at Chelyabinsk and visit Ekaterinburg, the mining capital of the Ural, I chose the ordinary postal train. It is a peculiarity of Russian trains that they mostly leave in the middle of the night. My train left Kurgan at 3 a. m. Russian travellers generally spend the night in the station waiting-room, making themselves comfortable at a hotel and to drive to the station about half-past two.

It is best to be at least half an hour early in Russia, as there is often trouble at the booking office. When I arrived, however, the booking office was closed, and no one seemed to know when it would be opened or if ever it would be opened. "No Znayout"—I do not know—and an indifferent shrug of the shoulders were the only answers I received. At length I boarded the station master in his den. The booking office would not be opened, he told me. The train was full; there were no vacant places; I must wait till next day; there was a waiting room and a buffet!

I was in despair. The prospect of waiting twenty-four hours for a possible train was not a pleasant one. Fascinating as Ekaterinburg might be, I had seen enough of it, and I was anxious to reach Ekaterinburg. I thought vaguely of returning to Bogdanoff's, but suddenly an idea came to me. In St. Petersburg I had been told that the guard on a certain train had grown wealthy by the practice of letting people travel without tickets and accepting a small gratuity for his complaisance. I had heard much in theory of the potency of tips in Russia, and now I resolved to test that theory by practice.

The train was standing at the platform and every one was busy. I got a porter to take my luggage on board and pack it in a corner of a dark passage. Then I sat down near it and waited events. An officer boarded the train with an immense quantity of luggage and a manservant, and forced his way into a compartment. I had seen him in the station master's office violently expostulating about something, and I strongly suspected him of getting into the train by illegitimate means. My heart turned against him, and against two individuals standing out on the landing board. Too many stowaways spoil the business.

Presently the train started, and I felt more at ease. In any case, we were off. In about ten minutes the ticket collector, accompanied by the conductor, came round to inspect tickets. In Russia it always takes two officials to do one man's job. They did not seem nearly so surprised as I had expected. "I have no ticket," I said, and they both smiled knowingly. I explained the situation and added that I was willing to give something—"na chai" (a tip; literally, "for tea")—if they could make it all right for me. How far was I going? asked the collector. To Chelyabinsk. Then they left me, shaking their heads in conference. In a few minutes they returned. Would I follow them?

Nothing very dreadful happened. I was led through several second-class vagons crammed with sleepers. At last we came to a half before a veritably vacant top berth. The conductor laid his hand upon it. "You may sleep here," he said, "and later you may pay."

How came that berth to be so conveniently vacant? At various stations along the route I observed that our conductor seemed to have many friends and many quiet little conferences. It was between the intermediate and not at the terminal stations that his business was done.

The legitimate fare was 6 rubles, which represents about 12s. 6d. in English money, travelling being much cheaper in Russia than in England. I gladly paid him the rubles, and when I added an extra ruble for his being so excellent a rogue he took off his cap and bowed to the ground.—London Chronicle.

A PLEA FOR THE STAGE.

Oh, let the stage be what it should, An institution wholly good, Let little boys and girls should learn Away from recititude to turn!

Let Virtue have its utmost range And triumph wholly—for a change! And let there be no word of vice Because—because—it isn't nice, And some young maiden might it hear And go and take a drink of beer. In fine, at "education" let The drama be, such as you get For so much and obeying rules. At certain female boarding schools! —New Orleans Times-Democrat.

EAST BARRE.

There is to be a musical entertainment followed by a promenade at the opera house Tuesday evening, Dec. 3d. The programme is as follows: piano duet, Miss Tierney, Miss Sadie Hadigan; piano solo, Miss Effie Rayeroff; cornet solo, Earl Bemis; piano solo, Mrs. R. Woodard; vocal solo, D. McAuley; reading, Mrs. Woodard; piano solo, Mrs. C. Scott; cello solo, Lyle Perry; duet, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Woodard. An orchestra of five pieces will furnish music for the promenade. Admission 25 cents.

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CHELSEA.

Russell R. Corwin, who has been visiting in Lowell and Boston for two weeks, returned home Saturday evening. The Rev. George E. Lake of Chester, Mass., who has accepted a call to become the pastor of the Congregational church here, arrived the last of the week and entered upon his pastoral work Sunday morning.

Miss Laura Fuller returned Saturday to her work as teacher in Sharon, as did Miss Leonie Thorne to North Pomfret, where she is teaching. Attorney S. C. Wilson went to Stratford Saturday to appear for the Beverly National Bank of Beverly, Mass., in a suit brought by that institution against W. F. Reddon and wife of Stratford. The cases were continued until December 30. The hearing was before Justice A. K. Kittredge of Stratford.

Walter Williams, clerk for Ordway, Holmes & Co., spent several days last week with his parents, at Randolph Center.

While driving her own team last Friday, Mrs. Herbert Corso, who lives just over the line in Brookfield, was thrown from her wagon, striking violently upon the frozen ground on her head and shoulders, and while she sustained severe and painful contusions, fortunately no bones were broken.

Donald Emery, who is attending school at Holderness, N. H., spent his Thanksgiving vacation with friends in Boston.

Dr. Fred L. Beckwith returned last week from Danville, where he had been for several weeks doing dental work.

E. A. Corwin and family were in Tunbridge for a day last week and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tucker. Hale K. Darling, Esq., returned from Montpelier Sunday evening to enter upon his new duties as county clerk, and will remain here during the December term of court.

Urban L. Bixby, an aged farmer who lives in Brookfield near the Chelsea line, is in a very feeble condition from rheumatism and other complications, and his recovery is not looked for. Mr. Bixby is one of Brookfield's most highly respected citizens, and is an uncle of Col. H. O. Bixby of this place.

Miss Grace G. Bacon returned to Williamstown today to resume her work as teacher in the intermediate room of the Williamstown graded school.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bacon left for their home in North Charlestown, N. H., Saturday, after spending several days in town as the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Bacon.

Dan E. Sargent of North Randolph was in town Saturday, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. William A. Dickenson of Court street.

People of Chelsea and vicinity may be interested to know that Col. C. S. Emery as probation officer has received official notice of the conditional pardon of William Fleming, granted on Thanksgiving by Governor Bell, and also Mrs. Erce Carpenter Lyford. Each was sentenced in June, 1902, to not less than four nor more than five years at hard labor in the state prison at Windsor for the crime of adultery. Mrs. Lyford has had the distinguishing notoriety of rooming with Mrs. Mary Rogers in that institution of late.

NORTHFIELD.

Helen, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Houston, died at three o'clock Sunday morning of croup. The child was taken violently ill in the middle of the week and a council was called Friday night. An operation was performed and the last few hours the child was kept alive by means of artificial respiration. The mother of Mrs. Houston, from Lowell, Mass., arrived on the afternoon express Saturday. The funeral will be held this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Pillsbury and daughter, Mabel, returned Friday night from a short visit to Waterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Denny returned Saturday from Waterbury, where they were guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Campbell.

Cadet George Mitchell of Norwich university returns this morning from Burlington, where he spent the Thanksgiving recess with his college mate, Cadet Libbey.

J. M. Bullock returned last night to North Adams, Mass., after a week's visit in this town.

Raymond Cutting returns today to Dartmouth College after spending the Thanksgiving recess in town. His sister, Miss Laura Cutting, returned to Burlington to resume her studies at the university of Vermont.

The Hon. Frank Plumley and Mrs. Plumley will return this morning from St. Albans, where they were guests for Thanksgiving of the Hon. and Mrs. C. P. Hogan. For more than 25 years these two families have spent Thanksgiving together.

WEST TOPSHAM.

G. K. Church spent Thanksgiving with his daughter, Mrs. W. A. Corlies, at Bradford.

Hillas Church visited in Groton over Thanksgiving.

Mrs. C. M. Tubbs and family went to Fairlee to spend Thanksgiving.

John Mastin has gone to New Hampshire to work for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snow and daughter, Ivis, of Barre visited Mrs. Snow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Thurston, several days last week.

N. P. Philbrick was in Bradford Saturday on business.

Mrs. J. L. Simpson, who died in Corinth last week, was buried in the cemetery here beside her husband. Mr. Simpson was a soldier in the Civil War, and died in 1865. His remains were sent home.

The remains of Dennison Denmore, who died in Los Angeles, Cal., are expected to arrive here Wednesday. The funeral will be at the Union church at 12 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Stenna of Barre visited Mrs. Stenna's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kimball several days last week.

Mrs. M. S. Hight came from Barre Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with her son, L. P. Hight.

GRANITEVILLE.

At the regular meeting of Robert Emmett Court, C. O. F., to be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 6th, the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place. All members should make an effort to be present. Per order, C. R.

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